

NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the United States Marshal's Service announce the following information for the attention of the media:

## **Event Triggering this Release:**

Today, Christopher Jones was sentenced to 21 months in prison by United States District Court Judge Richard G. Kopf following Jones' conviction for failing to register as a sex offender. In addition to the prison term, Jones was ordered to serve 5 years of supervised release and pay a \$100 Special Assessment. Jones pled guilty to failing to register in the State of Nebraska after being convicted in Iowa in 1996 of assault with the intent to commit sexual abuse. In late 2008, Jones traveled to Nebraska and did not register as required by state law and the federal Sex Offender Notification and Registration Act.

Name of Defendant: Christopher Jones

AKA:

**Age:** 32

**City of residence:** Gering, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Failure to register as a sex offender, 18 U.S.C. Section 2250. Penalties are up to 10 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, or both, at least 5 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Gering, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Gering, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

## Others Charged in Same Scheme:

## **Relevant Dates:**

Date of Alleged Crime: December 1, 2008 to April 22, 2009

Federal Arrest Date: May 22, 2009

**Date Complaint Issued:** 

**Indictment Returned Date**: May 21, 2009

**Initial Appearance Date**: June 2, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): September 15, 2009

Sentencing Date: December 4, 2009

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** 

**Assigned Magistrate Judge:** 

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released on conditions

**In Continuous Custody Since:** 

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard G. Kopf

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